IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Tsuyoshi KOMAKI, et al. GAU: **UNASSIGNED** SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION **EXAMINER: UNASSIGNED** FILED: **HEREWITH** FOR: OPTICAL INFORMATION MEDIUM, MAKING METHOD, RECORDING/READING METHOD, AND INSPECTING METHOD REQUEST FOR PRIORITY COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313 SIR: Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/887,434, filed 06/25/2001, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120. ☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e): Application No. **Date Filed** Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below. In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority: **COUNTRY** APPLICATION NUMBER **MONTH/DAY/YEAR** Japan 2000-191787 June 26, 2000 Japan 2000-363891 November 29, 2000 Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s) are submitted herewith ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/887,434 filed 6/25/2001 were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304. ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s) are submitted herewith □ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee Respectfully Submitted. OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND, MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C. Customer Number Gregory J. Maier Attorney of Record

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